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Cost comparison study cuts 19 base positions

Charleston AFB, S.C. -- Approximately 19 manpower positions in the civilian and military personnel offices here will be eliminated as part of an Air Mobility Command command-wide cost comparison conversion study.

The manpower positions will not result in any lay-offs or adverse personnel actions for the assigned 16 military and 3 civilian positions with the 437th Mission Support Squadron. One of the three civilian positions was already vacant and the other two civilians have since transferred to other offices on the base. The military members will be reassigned within the 437 MSS.

An evaluation of bids in open competition produced no acceptable contractor bids, therefore, on Feb. 14 it was determined that the government's in-house Most Efficient Organization bid to be the most cost efficient method of operation. MEO operation will begin on July 1, 2002. As a result of this decision, new civilian positions will be created to replace those military and civilian positions eliminated as a result of the study.

The A-76 cost comparison study studied costs between the current in-house operation using mostly military members and contract performance and determined the most efficient way to perform these services. This cost comparison affected 236 personnel (203 military/33 civilians) AMC-wide.

The Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76, Performance of Commercial Activities circular reaffirms the government's policy to rely on the private sector for products and services.

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